

CHAPTER NO. 466

SENATE BILL NO. 1652

By Hagood, Herron

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1321

By Armstrong, Brown, Overbey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 8 and Title 49, Chapter 9, relative to the appointment of student and faculty members to the governing boards of public institutions of higher education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-202(a), is amended by deleting the language "twenty (20)" and by substituting instead the language "twenty-two (22)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-202(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (8) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(8) Two (2) additional members shall be members of the faculty of the University of Tennessee who served as faculty senate president, or the equivalent, at a University of Tennessee institution during the academic year immediately preceding appointment as a trustee. One (1) faculty member shall be a voting member and one (1) faculty member shall be a non-voting member, it being the legislative intent that a faculty member serve one (1) year as a non-voting member before becoming the voting member. It being the further legislative intent that the voting position rotate among the institutions of the University of Tennessee, the voting and non-voting faculty members shall be appointed in accordance with the following sequence:

(A) The faculty senate president, or the equivalent, who served in such capacity at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga during the 2004-2005 academic year shall serve as the voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2005, through May 31, 2006. The faculty senate president, or the equivalent, who served in such capacity at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center during the 2004-2005 academic year shall serve as the non-voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2005, through May 31, 2006, and shall serve as the voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2006, through May 31, 2007.

(B) The faculty senate president, or the equivalent, who served in such capacity at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville during the 2005-2006 academic year shall serve as the non-voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2006, through May 31, 2007, and shall serve as the voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2007, through May 31, 2008.

(C) The faculty senate president, or the equivalent, who served in such capacity at the University of Tennessee at Martin during the 2006-2007 academic year shall serve as the non-voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2007, through May 31, 2008, and shall serve as the voting member for a one-year term from June 1, 2008, through May 31, 2009.

(D) Beginning June 1, 2008, the non-voting faculty position shall rotate annually to the faculty senate president, or the equivalent, who served in such capacity during the academic year immediately preceding appointment as a trustee according to the following sequence: University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and University of Tennessee at Martin. The non-voting faculty member shall serve a one-year term before assuming the voting position. Each term shall begin June 1 and end the following May 31.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-202(a), is further amended by deleting subdivision (12) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(12) Two (2) additional members shall be students at a University of Tennessee institution. One (1) student member shall be a voting member and one (1) student member shall be a non-voting member, it being the legislative intent that a student member serve one (1) year as a non-voting member before becoming the voting member. It being the further legislative intent that the voting

position rotate among the institutions of the University of Tennessee, the voting and non-voting student members shall be appointed in accordance with the following sequence:

(A) Effective June 1, 2005, a student at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga shall be appointed to serve a one-year term as the voting student member through May 31, 2006. The voting student shall be appointed by the governor from a list of three (3) nominees prepared and submitted by the governing body of the student government association at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. Effective June 1, 2005, a student at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center shall be appointed to serve a one-year term as the non-voting member through May 31, 2006, and to serve a one-year term as the voting member from June 1, 2006, through May 31, 2007. The non-voting student shall be appointed by the governor from a list of three (3) nominees prepared and submitted by the governing body of the student government association at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. Only students who will be enrolled at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center through the 2006-2007 academic year shall be eligible for appointment to this non-voting position.

(B) Effective June 1, 2006, a student at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville shall be appointed to serve a one-year term as the non-voting student member through May 31, 2007, and to serve a one-year term as the voting member from June 1, 2007, through May 31, 2008. The non-voting student shall be appointed by the governor from a list of three (3) nominees prepared and submitted by the governing body of the student government association at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Only students who will be enrolled at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville through the 2007-2008 academic year shall be eligible for appointment to this non-voting position.

(C) Effective June 1, 2007, a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin shall be appointed to serve a one-year term as the non-voting student member through May 31, 2008, and to serve a one-year term as the voting member from June 1, 2008, through May 31, 2009. The non-voting student shall be appointed by the governor from a list of three (3) nominees prepared and submitted by the governing body of the student government association at the University of Tennessee at Martin. Only students who will be enrolled at the University of Tennessee at Martin through the 2008-2009 academic year shall be eligible for appointment to this non-voting position.


(D) Beginning June 1, 2008, the non-voting student position shall be appointed annually by the governor from a list of three (3) nominees prepared and submitted by the governing body of the student government association at a University of Tennessee institution according to the following sequence: University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and University of Tennessee at Martin. The non-voting student member shall serve a one-year term before assuming the voting position. Each term shall begin June 1 and end the following May 31. Only students who will be enrolled at the University of Tennessee institution from which they are appointed through the academic year in which they would be serving as the voting member are eligible for appointment to the non-voting position.

SECTION 4. The costs associated with adding two (2) non-voting members to the University of Tennessee board of trustees shall be absorbed by the University of Tennessee within existing non-state resources.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 26, 2005


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JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 18th day of June 2005


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